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Of the NEW DUNCIAD.

The Remaining Part of a LETTER *from a* Gentleman *in the* Temple, *to a* Lady *in the* Country.

AFTER the Poet's well-tim'd Cenſure on *Modern Education*, he introduces a ſhort but excellent Satire on a Set of People, ſome of which you meet with almoſt in every Family; I mean the *Indolents*, to whom every Duty of Life, or neceſſary Buſineſs of it, is a Fatigue; on theſe *Dulneſs* ſheds her Influence. You will be pleas'd at their Deſcription, and, I believe, more particularly ſo; becauſe, if you change the Name of *Paridel* to *Arabel*, it is an exact Character of your Couſin: This may afford you a little Diverſion at reading the following Lines. The Goddeſs, ſays the Poet,

' ——Saw a lazy, lolling Sort,
' Unknown at Church, at Senate, or at Court,
' Of ever-liſtleſs Loit'rers, that attend
' No Cauſe, no Truſt, no Duty, and no Friend;
' Thee too, my *Paridel*, ſhe mark'd thee there,
' Stretch'd on the Rack of a too-eaſy Chair,
' And heard thy everlaſting Yawn confeſs
' The Pains and Penalties of Idleneſs.
' She pitied, but her Pity only ſhed
' Benigner Influence on thy nodding Head.

From this Species of *Dulneſs* the Author ſhifts the Scene, and introduces a Character which, though it has been drawn by other Authors, is here repreſented with new Humour. As this Satire was intended to expoſe Triflers in Arts and Sciences, and thoſe who, through Affectation of Knowledge, were the Patrons of them, the Author could not ſuffer our modern Antiquaries in Gems and Medals to paſs uncenſur'd. It is incredible what Inventions and Arts are practis'd to make *Antiques*; which ſome Perſons of Quality purchaſe at a high Rate, only becauſe they think they are *Antique*, and they poſſeſs a little Bit of Copper or Silver, the like of which few in the World have beſides themſelves. As particularly mark'd as the Character of *Annius* may ſeem, there are many of them to be ſeen at *Cox*'s Auctions.

' ——*Annius*, crafty Seer, with Ebon Wand,
' And well diſſembled Em'rald on his Hand,
' Falſe as his Gems, and canker'd as his Coins,
' Came, cramm'd with Capons, from where *Polio* dines;
' Soft as the wily Fox is ſeen to creep,
' Where baſks on ſunny Banks the ſimple Sheep,
' Walks round and round, now prying here, now there;
' So he, but pious whiſper'd firſt this Pray'r:
' Grant, gracious Goddeſs! grant me ſtill to cheat,
' O! may thy Cloud ſtill cover the Deceit!
' Thy choiceſt Miſt on this Aſſembly ſhed;
' But pour them thickeſt on the nobleſt Head:
' So ſhall each Youth, aſſiſted by our Eyes,
' See other *Caſars*, other *Homers* riſe;
' Through twilight Ages hunt th' *Athenian* Fowle,
' Which *Chalcis* Gods and Mortals call an Owle.
' Now ſee an *Atys*, now a *Cecrops* clear;
' Nay, *Mahomet*, with Pigeon at his Ear:
' Be rich in antient Braſs, tho' not in Gold,
' And keep his *Lares*, tho' his Houſe be ſold;
' To headleſs *Phabe*, his fair Bride, poſtpone;
' Honour a *Syrian* Prince before his own;
' Lord of an *Otho*, if I vouch it true,
' Bleſt in one *Niger*, till he knows of two.

Theſe Impoſitions of our *Virtuoſi*, and the Credulity and Folly of thoſe who become their Dupes, are more ſtrongly expos'd by the Author's having made *Annius* himſelf confeſs the firſt, and ridicule the laſt.

It is obſervable, that as the Scenery of this Poem changes, and new Characters appear, the ingenious Author has follow'd the Dramatick Rule of ſhewing the Humour of each Character the ſtronger, by ſhewing a Contraſt Character to it. *Annius* has an Opponent Connoiſeur in *Mummius*, a Virtuoſo in *Syrian* Coins and *Egyptian* Mummies; but the two Characters which will pleaſe you moſt are what you are acquainted with; a Virtuoſo Floriſt, and Virtuoſo Butterfly-Fancier; they are deſcrib'd among

' A Tribe, with Weeds and Shells fantaſtick crown'd.

They have a great Cauſe to try, and appeal to the Goddeſs:

' The firſt thus open'd; Hear thy Suppliant's Call,
' ——Great Queen, and Mother of us all!
' Fair, from its humble Bed, I rear'd this Flow'r;
' Suckled, and chear'd with Air, and Sun, and Show'r.
' Soft on the Paper Ruff its Leaves I ſpread,
' Bright with the gilded Button tip'd its Head;
' Then thron'd in Glaſs, and nam'd it CAROLINE,
' Each Maid cry'd, Charming! and each Youth, Divine!
' Did Nature's Pencil ever blend ſuch Rays,
' Such vary'd Light in one promiſcuous Blaze?
' Now proſtrate, dead, behold that *Caroline!*
' No Maid cries, Charming! and no Youth, Divine!
' And, lo! the Wretch whoſe vile, whoſe Inſect luſt
' Laid this gay Daughter of the Spring in Duſt;
' O puniſh him! or to the Elyſian Shades
' Diſmiſs my Soul, where no *Carnation* fades!

The pathetick Exclamation of the Supplicant is rais'd with a pleaſing Air of Solemnity, which is ſtill heighten'd by

' He ceas'd, and wept.

His Adverſary's plain Behaviour and narrative Speech are finely contraſted to the Paſſions being affected, and the Luxuriancy of Deſcription in the foregoing Quotation.

' ——With Innocence of Mein
' Th' Accus'd ſtood forth, and thus addreſs'd the Queen:
' Of all the enamell'd Race, whoſe ſilv'ry Wing
' Waves to the tepid Zephyrs of the Spring,
' Or ſwims along the fluid Atmoſphere,
' One brighter ſhin'd; this Child of Heat and Air
' I ſaw, and ſtarted from its vernal Bow'r
' The riſing Game, and chas'd from Flow'r to Flow'r;
' It fled, I follow'd; now in Hope, now Pain;
' It ſtop'd, I ſtop'd; it mov'd, I mov'd again:
' At laſt it fix'd——('twas on what Plant it pleas'd)
' And where it fix'd, the beauteous Bird I ſeiz'd:
' Roſe or Carnation was below my Care,
' I meddle, Goddeſs, only in my Sphere;
' I tell the naked Fact, without Diſguiſe,
' And to excuſe it need but ſhew my Prize;
' Whoſe Spoils this Paper offers to your Eye,
' Fair, e'en in Death, this Peerleſs *Butterfly*.

After this Conteſt the Goddeſs applauds them both; and, in a Speech, ſhe recommends it to the Inveſtigators of Nature to amuſe themſelves only in Trifles—From hence the Author introduces an admirable Satire on Triflers in Philoſophy and Religion.

' And vindicates the Ways of God to Man.
Eſſay on Man.

Here, Madam, the Modern Free-Thinkers, that is, wild and enthuſiaſtick Scepticks, are not only cenſur'd, but confuted; and with the Satiriſt and Poet you find blended the Philoſopher and Divine.

The laſt Scene of the Poem, (to keep to my Dramatick Parallel) which is to produce the Cataſtrophe, ends with great Propriety.——The Stage is full of all the Goddeſs's Votaries, whom ſhe receives with Pleaſure; to teſtify which, an *old Wizard* preſents them with the *Cup* of *Self-Love*,

' Which whoſo taſtes, forgets his former Friends,
' Sire, Anceſtor, Himſelf: One caſts his Eyes
' Up to a Star, and like *Endymion*, dies;
' A Feather ſhooting from another's Head,
' Extracts his Brain, and Principle is fled;
' Loſt is his God, his Country, every Thing,
' And nothing left but Homage to a King.
' The vulgar Herd turn off to roll with Hogs,
' To run with Horſes, or to hunt with Dogs;
' But ſad Example! never to eſcape
' Their Infamy, ſtill keep the Human Shape.

After having deſcrib'd the endowing them with Impudence, Stupidity, Self-Conceit, venal Intereſt, Degeneracy, Luxury, affected Wit, and affected Wiſdom,

' Then bleſſing all, Go Children of my Care,
' To Practice now, from Theory repair;
' All my Commands are eaſy, ſhort and full,
' My Sons, be proud, be ſelfiſh, and be dull:
' Guard my Prerogative, aſſert my Throne:
' This Nod confirms each Privilege your own.

Which is for *Dukes*, *Earls* and *Lords* to perſonate *Running-Footmen*, *Jockies*, *Stage-Coachmen* and *Fidlers*, *&c. &c.*

The Concluſion of this Poem the Author has made like that of our Modern Dramatick Pieces—without any Concluſion at all. ——*De-eſt* FINIS may ſeem an odd Expreſſion, but the Annotator thus explains it: ' It is impoſſible to lament ſufficiently the Loſs of the ' reſt of this Poem: It is to be hop'd, however, that ' the Poet completed it, and that it will not be loſt to ' Poſterity, if we may truſt a Hint given in one of ' his Satires,

Publiſh the preſent Age, but where the Text
Is Vice too high, reſerve it for the next.

I cannot, Madam, conclude without one more Dramatick Compariſon: As you have ſeen ſome Pieces on the Stage end in a Univerſal *Groan*, or Chorus of *Yawns*, our Author concludes his Poem with an Univerſal *Yawn*, and both are the Effects of Dulneſs.——But in this the Effects are ſo entertaining, that I cannot end my Epiſtle better than in tranſcribing the Deſcription of them.

' She *Yawn'd*——all Nature nods:
' What Mortal can reſiſt the Yawn of Gods?
' Churches and Chapels inſtantly it reach'd,
' (St. *James*'s firſt, for leaden *G—ld—t* preach'd)
' Then catch'd the Schools, the Hall ſcarce kept awake,
' The Convocation gap'd, but could not ſpeak;
' Loſt was the Nation's Senſe, nor could be found
' While the long ſolemn Uniſon went round;
' Wide and more wide it ſpread o'er all the Realm;
' Ev'n *Palinurus* nodded at the Helm;
' The Vapour mild o'er each Committee crept,
' Unfiniſh'd Treaties in each Office ſlept,
' And chiefleſs Armies doz'd out the Campaign,
' And Navies yawn'd for Orders on the Main.

The DOMESTICK INTELLIGENCER.

Monday. Change-Alley.

The chief Diſcourſe of this Place does not turn on the Politicks of Kings, or the Downfal of Miniſters; but whether there is to be a *Bridge* or a *State Lottery*, or both: —— The *Bulls* and the *Bears* have their Committees of Enquiry on this important Event.

Will's. Cornhill.

Nothing has given more Pleaſure in the City, ſince the famous Reſignation, than the Earl of *Stair*'s having embark'd for *Holland:* His great Abilities will overthrow all Chicanery of the Marquis *Fenelon*, and reſtore an Alliance which has always been able to put a Stop to the boundleſs Ambition of the *Bourbon Family*. To this Occurrence there is another equally agreeable, which will give great Weight to his Excellencies Negotiation; the Reſolution of King and Parliament ſtrenuouſly to ſupport the Queen of *Hungary*.—— *Theſe are Meaſures which every* True Briton *muſt rejoice at; and though ſo lately taken, are not* too late.

Wedneſday. St. James's Coffee-houſe.

The Earl of *Orford* continues in his *Retirement* at *Chelſea*; but receives *Viſits* from his *Friends*.

Tennis-Court Coffee-houſe, Cockpit, Whitehall.

The Secret Committee have appointed all their Officers, and their *Uſher* of the *Black Rod*, to take in Cuſtody whomſoever they ſhall order —— *Whether there will be Occaſion to execute that Part of his Office, Time only muſt diſcover.*

Thurſday. Will's Coffee-houſe over-againſt the Admiralty.

It is reported here, that the Yatchts are ſoon, with a proper Convoy, to make a Trip to *Holland*; though ſome think it will be to *Hambourg*. —— *The Reaſon of ſuch an Expedition may be rather* gueſs'd *at than* explain'd.

Tilt-yard Coffee-houſe.

Cornecies of Horſe and *Lieutenancies*, and *Pairs* of *Colours* are ſaid to have fell, within theſe ten Days, forty per Cent. Great Intereſt is alſo making for *exchanging* Commiſſions, and——to ſtay at home, the Air of *Flanders* being judg'd very diſagreeable.

Friday.

The Converſation of all publick Places is concerning laſt Night's Reſolution of the H—— of C—— to order in a Bill againſt an undetermin'd Number of *Officers* and *Placemen:* This firſt Step to prevent *Corruption* will be of excellent Uſe; as *Captains*, *Cornets*, and *Enſigns*, in the Army; *Officers* under the Rank of an *Admiral*, in the Navy; *Commiſſioners*, *Clerks* and *Sub Clerks*, in the Publick Offices, all which are liable to *M——ſt—l Influence*, will be excluded; and yet a ſufficient Number of the Servants of the *Cr—n* remain as to tranſact the Buſineſs of the Nation, and yet keep up the *juſt Prerogative* of the K——. *So fair a Propoſal for the Defence of* Liberty *ſure no* TRUE BRITON *will reject!*

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Turin, March 22. The King ſet out the 19th Inſtant in order to put himſelf at the Head of his Army; he was accompanied by the Prince of Piedmont, and a numerous Retinue. A few Days before his Majeſty left this City he ſent Orders to his Miniſters at Madrid and Naples to return home. The Britiſh, Hungarian and Dutch Miniſters, have follow'd the King to Placentia. Count Traun, Governor General of the Milaneze, is likewiſe gone thither, in order to concert the Operations of the Campaign with his Majeſty.

Vienna, March 28. Part of the Troops which were coming from Hungary have receiv'd Orders to ſtay on the Frontiers of that Kingdom, for fear of a Viſit from the Turks.

Hambourg, March 30. The Day before the Empreſs of Ruſſia left Peterſbourg, ſhe had a long Conference with the Hungarian Miniſter, and aſſur'd him at his taking Leave, that her Troops ſhould immediately begin their March from Courland through Poland, adding at the ſame time, 'I know by my own Caſe 'the Miſery of a Princeſs oppreſs'd: I therefore take 'a particular Pleaſure in affording Succours to a 'Queen ſo perſecuted as your Miſtreſs is, and in 'whoſe Preſervation the Intereſt of Ruſſia are ſo 'deeply concern'd.'

Stockholm, March 30. The Court has ſent freſh Orders into all the Provinces of this Kingdom to haſten the new Levies: Orders have likewiſe been ſent down to the Sea Ports to preſs the Naval Armaments, and get every Thing ready with the utmoſt Diligence for tranſporting a Body of Troops to Finland. All theſe Orders have been iſſued upon Advice that Hoſtilities have been renewed in Finland. The Diſpatches of the Courier who brought this News ſay, that the Ruſſian Court having declar'd the 20th Inſtant, by an Officer ſent to General Count Lewenhaupt, that the Term for the Suſpenſion of Arms being expir'd, and the Propoſitions made to the Empreſs not being acceptable, inaſmuch as her Imperial Majeſty could not enter into any Negotiation which had not for its Baſis the Treaty of Nyſtadt, ſhe had order'd her Troops to commit Hoſtilities again. In conſequence of which ſeveral Thouſands of Coſſacks enter'd the Swediſh Territories the 22d Inſtant, and did no ſmall Damage in them.

Vienna, March 31. The laſt Letters from Brinn adviſe, that a Detachment of the Garriſon have had a Rencounter with three Saxon Companies, which they defeated, and took Priſoners ten Officers and 126 private Men. We alſo hear that the Hungarians who were oblig'd to abandon Scalitz at the Approach of the Pruſſian Troops, have ſince return'd thither, and carried off a Convoy of thirty Waggons from the Pruſſians, after beating the Eſcorte.

The Court has receiv'd an Expreſs with Advice, that all the Troops in Bohemia are in full March towards Brinn, except one Regiment left in Budweis.

Ratiſbon, April 1. The Auſtrian Miniſters aſſure, that the Queen of Hungary has reſolv'd never to liſten to any Accommodation tending to a Partition of her Dominions.

Paris, April 2. Laſt Thurſday the King declar'd that his Houſhold Troops muſt hold themſelves in Readineſs to take the Field.

The laſt Advices from Germany ſay, that the Veldt-Marſhal Count Seckendorff, who has enter'd into the Emperor's Service, is ſet out from Francfort, in order to put himſelf at the Head of 15,000 Troops of the Empire; and we reckon that, after the Junction of theſe Troops and thoſe under the Command of Count Thoring, the King's Army will conſiſt of upwards of 50,000 Combatants. As ſoon as Egra is taken, Marſhal Broglio will put himſelf at the Head of the Army that is to act in Bavaria. The Marſhal de Belle-Iſle is to command under the King of Pruſſia.

Francfort, April 5. The Emperor is again indiſpos'd and keeps his Bed. We hear that the French Succours are arriv'd within two or three Days March of Donawert, and 'tis ſaid that Count Thoring has repaſs'd the Danube, in order to join them.

Oſtend, April 9. Several Engineers arriv'd here this Morning, in order to make the neceſſary Preparations for the Reception of the Britiſh Troops that are expected here and in other Towns of theſe Provinces.

From the Paris A-la-main.

Hague, April 1. We have this Moment receiv'd Advice, that the Porte is marching 40,000 Men towards Tranſilvania, and that, on the other hand, France is ſending a formidable Army towards the Auſtrian Netherlands, in order to make good her Claims to thoſe Countries; ſo that it ſeems impoſſible for the Houſe of Auſtria to ſtand much longer, unleſs it be ſpeedily ſuccour'd in the moſt powerful manner.

LONDON.

His Majeſty was pleaſed to make the following moſt gracious Anſwer to the Addreſs of the Right Hon. the Houſe of Lords, which was preſented him on Monday laſt, relating to the Queen of Hungary, viz.

'My Lords,

'I return you my Thanks for this dutiful and affectionate Addreſs, and take the greateſt Satisfaction 'in your ſeaſonable Zeal for the Support of the Houſe 'of Auſtria, for reſtoring the Ballance of Power in 'Europe.

It's reported that the Hon. Arthur Onſlow, Eſq; Speaker of the Houſe of Commons, has reſign'd the Place of Treaſurer to his Majeſty's Navy.

It will be enacted, we hear, for the future, that no Attornies, or Solicitors, ſhall be Commiſſioners of the Land Tax, unleſs they are poſſeſs'd of Eſtates to the yearly Value of at leaſt 100 l. per Annum: *An excellent Reſolution!*

Upon the Promotion of Sir Charles Hardy to a Flag, the Right Hon. the Lords of the Admiralty have appointed Capt. Molloy of the Mary Yacht to ſucceed him in the Caroline; and Capt. Bridges of the Katherine to ſucceed Capt. Molloy in the Mary.

The Right Hon. the Lords of the Admiralty have appointed Lieutenant Peter Burville to be Commander of the Comet, one of the new Bomb-Ketches lately launch'd.

Charles Frampton, Eſq; Lieutenant-Colonel of the Firſt Regiment of Foot-Guards, is to have one of the new Regiments; and John Folliot, Eſq; of the Coldſtream, is to ſucceed him as Lieutenant-Colonel of the Firſt Regiment.

William Whitmore, Eſq; Major of Col. Dunore's Regiment of Foot, is appointed Lieutenant-Colonel of the ſaid Regiment, Capt. Edward Phillips Major in his room, and all the other Officers riſe according to their Seniority.

Andrew Stone, Eſq; one of the Under Secretaries of State, and Member of Parliament for Haſtings in Suſſex, is appointed Secretary to the Iſland of Barbadoes, and a new Writ order'd for electing a Member for that Port.

On Saturday the Right Hon. the Lord Archibald Hamilton was elected Member of Parliament for Clifton Dartmouth Hardreſs in Devonſhire.

On Tueſday laſt Andrew Stone, Eſq; was re-elected Member of Parliament for the Borough of Haſtings.

Wedneſday the Right Hon. the Lord Viſ. Deerhurſt, eldeſt Son to the Right Hon. the Lord Coventry, took his Seat in the Houſe of Commons for Bridport in Dorſetſhire, for which Place he was elected on Saturday laſt.

Saturday Major-General Bland, Quarter-Maſter-General of his Majeſty's Forces, ſet out from his Houſe in Sackville-ſtreet for Flanders.

The Committee of Enquiry have hired the Hon. Mrs. Lowther's Houſe in the Privy-Garden for their Uſe.

Tueſday came on, at the Bank of England, the Election of a Governor and Deputy-Governor for the enſuing Year; when Stamp Brookſbank, Eſq; was choſen Governor, and William Fawkener, Eſq; Deputy-Governor.

On Saturday Night laſt there was an extraordinary Meeting, at the Queen's-Arms Tavern in St. Paul's Church-Yard, of Gentlemen of Diſtinction in Mr. Woodroffe's Intereſt, to conſider of proper Meaſures to be taken with regard to the late Election at Guildford for the County of Surrey.

Wedneſday the following Gentlemen, who were in the Houſe-Liſt, were choſen Directors of the Eaſt India Company for the Year enſuing, viz.

William Baker Eſq; Ald.
Sir William Billers, Knt. and Ald.
Richard Blount, Eſq;
Capt. Robert Bootle
Chriſtopher Burrow, Eſq;
Richard Burton, Eſq;
* Mr. Richard Chauncy,
John Emmerſon, Eſq;
Peter Godfrey, Eſq;
* William Goſſelin, Eſq;
Harry Gough, Eſq;
* Alexander Hume, Eſq;
Samuel Hyde, Eſq;
Michael Impey, Eſq;
* Henry Laſcelles, Eſq;
Capt. Will. Mabbott
Mr. John Payne,
* Thomas Phipps, Eſq;
William Pomeroy, Eſq;
Jones Raymond, Eſq;
Sir John Salter, Knt. and Ald.
* William Steele, Eſq;
* Whitcott Turner, Eſq;
* Capt. James Winter

Thoſe mark'd with * are new ones.

On Monday laſt Matthew Lee, of Eſon, Eſq; was married at St. Anne's Church, to Miſs Jane Huckle, of St. Martin's-le-Grand, a young Lady with a Fortune of 5000 l. down, and as much more in Reverſion. As ſoon as the Ceremony was perform'd, they ſet out for their Country Seat at Andover.

A few Days ago died at Cambridge, Mr. James Whitelock, who had been one of the Common-Council-Men of that Town about forty Years. His Grandfather was created a Baronet by Oliver Cromwell.

Laſt Week died, in the 67th Year of his Age, at his Houſe in Johnſon's-Court in Fleet-ſtreet, the Rev. Nathaniel Salmon, L. L. B. (Brother to Mr. Thomas Salmon, of Cambridge, who wrote the Modern Hiſtory) Author of ſeveral Works on the Subject of

English Hiſtory and Antiquities: Part of thoſe of the County of Eſſex were publiſh'd in 18 Numbers, and had been compleated ſome time ſince, had he found a ſufficient Number of Subſcribers. What he was in private Life, is only known to his Friends, and by them only will be eſteem'd.

Laſt Week died, after a ſhort Illneſs, at his Houſe in Red-Lion-Square, Dr. Douglaſs, an eminent Man Midwife.

On Saturday laſt died of an Inflammation in his Bowels, the Right Hon. John Howe, Lord Chedworth, who formerly repreſented the County of Wilts. He was Son of James Howe, Eſq; Paymaſter-General of the Forces in the Reign of Queen Anne, and Heir to the late Sir Richard Howe, of Wiſhford in Wilts, Bart. He is ſucceeded in Honour and Eſtate by his eldeſt Son John, now Lord Chedworth, and has left eight other Sons and Daughters.

Laſt Saturday Morning about Two o'Clock died at his Houſe in Bedford-Row, John Shaftoe, Eſq; Member of Parliament for the City of Durham. He married the only Daughter of Thomas Jackſon, Eſq; late Town-Clerk of London in May 1731, by whom he has left Children.

On Sunday died Sir John Bull, Knt. an eminent Turky Merchant, at his Seat at Ongar in Eſſex.

Wedneſday died of a Fever, at his Lodgings in Suffolk-ſtreet, Sir Edward Ward, of Bixley-Hall near Norwich, in the County of Norfolk, Bart. He dying a Batchelor, his Honour and Eſtate devolves to his Brother, Randal Ward, Eſq; Sir Edward was within two Months of being of Age; he was of the ſame Family with the preſent Lord Ward of Birmingham.

The Corpſe of the Right Hon. the Lady Viſcounteſs Vane, Mother to the Lord Viſcount Vane, was carried from her Houſe on Sunday laſt, in a pompous manner, with the ſeveral Trophies ſuitable to her Degree, her Ladyſhip's Coronet being carried on a Cuſhion, cover'd with black Velvet, by a Gentleman on Horſeback preceding the Hearſe, and the next Day was ſolemnly interr'd in a Vault belonging to that Noble Family at Fair-Lawn in Kent.

The Night before the Corpſe was carried out of Town, a Meſſenger arriv'd with the melancholy News that a Fire happen'd about Twelve o'Clock that Day at the Lord Vane's fine Seat at Fair-Lawn, which entirely conſum'd that Part juſt rebuilt, and which was burnt in November 1740.

A new Commiſſion of the Peace is paſs'd the Seals for the County of Worceſter.

Yeſterday Se'nnight a Diſpenſation paſs'd the Great Seal to enable the Rev. Robert Billio, M. A. to hold the Vicarage of Nunſeaton in the County of Warwick, together with the Rectory of Swepſton in the County of Leiceſter.

On Saturday laſt a Preſentation paſs'd the Great Seal to enable the Rev. Thomas Gem, to hold the Rectory of St. Andrew in Droitwich, in the County and Dioceſe of Worceſter.

The ſame Day a Preſentation paſs'd the Great Seal to enable the Rev. James Brookes, to hold the Rectory of Fillcrome, in the ſaid County and Dioceſe of Worceſter.

Sunday Morning about Two o'Clock as the Watchmen were going their Rounds in Clerkenwell Pariſh, they ſtopt five Smugglers with three Horſes loaded with Tea, which occaſion'd a Scuffle, in which the Watchmen had the Advantage, for the Girt of one of the Horſes breaking, five Bags of Tea were ſecur'd and carried to the Watch-houſe on Clerkenwell-Green; but the Smugglers carried the reſt clear off; and being ſtrengthen'd by others of their Gang, return'd to the Watch-houſe, in about two Hours, which being ſhut, they fir'd ſeven Times thro' the Door, and wounded two Watchmen, (one of whom is ſince dead, and the other has had an Arm cut off, and is ſo ill that 'tis thought he can't recover) and recover'd four of the Bags of Tea; but the Neighbourhood being by this Time alarm'd, they were oblig'd to leave the fifth behind them.

Wedneſday Morning, about Six o'Clock, a Fire broke out in the back Part of the Mourning-Buſh Tavern at Alderſgate, which in a ſhort Time conſum'd that Part of the Building where it began; but was prevented from ſpreading any farther by an early Aſſiſtance.

An odd Affair happen'd lately at Weſt-Wrating in the County of Cambridge, within ſeven Miles of Newmarket: About Eight o'Clock in the Evening, four Men, with their Faces black'd, and arm'd with a Gun, a Piſtol, and ſix long Knives, came into the Houſe of John Woolard, a Miller of that Place, (the Family being juſt ſet down to Supper) and demanded his Money, telling him he had two or three hundred Pounds in his Houſe; but being anſwer'd he had not, they bound the ſaid Woolard, his Son and his Man, (but not his Wife and Daughter) and then ſearch'd the Houſe, and found about 6 l. in Money, ſome Bottles of old Beer and Mead, and ſome Bacon, with which they made themſelves merry in the Houſe about two or three Hours: After which they unbound the Priſoners, told them they hop'd they had receiv'd no Harm, bid them not be frighten'd, and ſaid they would in a little time hear of more that would be ſerv'd in the ſame manner. The Rogues oblig'd the Family not to look out of Doors after them, and ſo went off undiſcover'd.

Thurſday ſe'nnight a Butcher, ninety Years of Age, who liv'd at Epping, was, with his Son, and another of their Accomplices, taken in the Marſh at Hackney for ſtealing of Sheep, and was the ſame Day committed to Chelmsford-Gaol. At which Place, about 30 Years ago, the old Man was burnt in the Hand for a like Offence; and in July laſt two of his Sons were executed for the Highway; and another was condemn'd laſt Aſſizes, but repriev'd in order for Tranſportation.

On Saturday an Officer belonging to the Loo Man of War was committed to New-Priſon for ſtabbing a Brewer's Servant in Ratcliff-Highway, on his Refuſal to go along with the Gang 'till he had acquainted his Maſter with his being preſs'd.

Wedneſday the eight Malefactors, mention'd in our former were executed at Tyburn. The Surgeons had the Body of Morgan Nowland, condemn'd for enliſting Men in the French King's Service, and the reſt were carried off by their Friends.

From Dover we hear, that a Coffin that was carried down thither in a Hearſe, and attended in Form of a Funeral by four Mourners in a Coach and Six, to be ſhipp'd as a Corpſe under a fictitious Name for its Interment in France, had been inſpected by the Cuſtom-houſe Officers there, whoſe Suſpicions were rais'd by its uncommon Weight, who, upon ſearching thereof, found a rich Magazine of Britiſh Golden Coin, and accordingly made Seiſure of it, and lodg'd it in the King's Warehouſe, to be employ'd, 'tis to be hop'd, in a better Uſe at home.

Commodore Smith, in the Eltham of 50 Guns, lately fell in with three Spaniſh Veſſels on the Back of Porto-Rico; one of which (a Settee) he took, and carried her into Antigua. She is ſaid to be worth above 40,000 l. Sterl. and was condemn'd by a Court of Admiralty on the 28th of January, but the Ship is claim'd by the Captain, who is a Frenchman. Soon after ſhe was taken the General of Martinico ſent to demand 10,000 l. of the Value, as being the Property of the French; but its believ'd he will hardly have it granted.

We have an Account that the two Men of War of Commodore Anſon's Squadron, who put into the Brazils, were arriv'd at Barbadoes the 5th of February; but in ſo bad a Condition, one of them not having but 19, and the other above 40 Men, that they were not able to get into the Harbour without Aſſiſtance from Capt. Hawk in the Portland Man of War.

The ———, Capt. Maxwell, from St. Euſtatia, for Amſterdam, arriv'd on Wedneſday off Dover, by whom we have the following Advices.

On the 5th of January, the Fleet of Men of War and Tranſports, which ſail'd from Cork the 8th of Nov. under the Command of Commodore Lawes, in his Majeſty's Ship the Greenwich, arriv'd at St. Kitt's, and ſail'd again the 7th following for Jamaica, all well.

His Majeſty's Ship the Haſtings, commanded by Lord Bamff, which ſail'd from England the 24th of December laſt, to cruize off of the Madeira and Canary Iſlands, ſaw a Sail on the 7th of January (the Iſland of Madeira then bearing W. ¼ N. 35 Leagues) to which Lord Bamff gave Chace, and at Two in the Afternoon being within Gun-ſhot, fir'd athwart her Fore Foot, to bring her to; ſhe return'd the Fire, and hoiſted Spaniſh Colours; upon which they began to engage, and continu'd engaging 'till Four o'Clock, when ſhe ſtruck, and call'd for Quarter. She prov'd to be a Regiſter Ship, of 20 Guns, and 105 Men, beſides ten Men and four Women Paſſengers, and a Child, and was bound from Cadiz for Havanna. Eleven of the Spaniards were kill'd, and many wounded, and their Ship's Hull and Rigging very much ſhatter'd; but the Haſtings had not one Man either kill'd or wounded, and but little Damage done to the Ship. On the 16th of January, as the Haſtings was going to Madeira with her Prize, ſhe fell in with a Ship and a Snow; the Snow chaſed her, under Engliſh Colours, and the Haſtings chaſed the Ship, which hauled her Wind, but hoiſted no Colours: The Snow finding ſhe could not come up with the Haſtings, bore away for the Prize, which had fallen to Leeward, and attack'd her under Spaniſh Colours; upon this the Haſtings bore away to her Aſſiſtance, and in two Hours came up with the Snow, which then ſtruck without making any Reſiſtance, there having been only a few Shot exchang'd from their Chace Guns, before the Haſtings came up with her. She prov'd to be a Privateer from the Canaries, of 14 Carriage and ſix Swivel Guns, and 73 Men. The Ship which the Haſtings firſt chaſed, was her Commodore, and carried 26 Guns and 200 Men.

His Majeſty's Ship the Leopard, commanded by Lord Forreſter, being on a Cruize in the Bay of Biſcay, ſaw a Sail on the 10th of March, at Six in the Morning, ſtanding to the Weſtward, (the Iſland of Cyſarga then bearing South) and gave Chace to her; which as ſoon as ſhe diſcover'd ſhe endeavour'd to haul in for the Land, but the Leopard being far to Windward, cut her off; ſhe then bore away right out to Sea, and the Leopard chaſed her 18 Hours, during which time ſhe made ſeveral Signals of Deceit, ſuch as firing Guns to Leeward, and many others; the Leopard fir'd 14 Shot at her before ſhe brought to, and about Three in the Morning on the 11th, came along ſide of her, and Lord Forreſter finding her to be loaded with Proviſions and Naval Stores, bound from Port Paſſage to the Weſt Indies, that ſhe was to have accompanied five Spaniſh Men of War which ſail'd about a Fortnight before her, but that in coming out of Port Paſſage with them ſhe run a-ground, which oblig'd her to ſtay behind them to repair her Damage, and that ſhe was then following them, he ſeiz'd her, and has brought her into Plymouth.

The St. Charles, Baptiſt Teſte, from Bourdeaux, is loſt near Oſtend.

The Hare, Sauber, from Yarmouth for Oporto; the Thomas and William, Cole, from Oporto for ———; the St. Iſabel, Yeot, her Voyage not known, and a Veſſel of about 100 Tons, laden with Hemp, Oil and Ammunition, are taken by the Spaniards and carried into Bilboa.

From the London Gazette.

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Chriſten'd Males 133 Females 114 In all 247
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